



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Salman Akram

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For: METALLIZATION STRUCTURES FOR SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INTERCONNECTS, METHODS FOR MAKING SAME, AND

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

INCLUDING SAME

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Examiner: E. Lee

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Sir:

The following remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Final Office Action mailed August 20, 2004 and the Advisory Action mailed November 16, 2004, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on November 20, 2004, which is a Saturday.

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